

**TOWN OF ROCKY HILL
OPEN SPACE AND CONSERVATION COMMISSION
MEETING OF FEBRUARY 11, 2015**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Ed Charamut called the Wednesday, February 11, 2015 meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Council Room of the Rocky Hill Town Hall, 761 Old Main Street, Rocky Hill, Connecticut, 06067.

Present: Ed Charamut, Chairman
 Sandra Kelly, Secretary
 David Schweitzer, Commissioner
 Larry Lindenberger, Commissioner
 Scott Stevens, Commissioner
 Todd Brown

Alternates: Christopher Duff (arrived at 6:11 p.m.)
 Michelle Zak

Also: Bob Alvarado, Engineering Dept.
 Eileen Knapp, Recording Secretary

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Everyone stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. PUBLIC

No one from the public spoke at this time.

4. APPLICATION FOR A PERMIT

**A. Lou-Anne Schmelter and Lisa Fontana- Proposed two (2) lot subdivision
at 332 France Street; Assessor's #29-3-1;**

Mr. Alvarado said the application is for the creation of one new lot of 27,400 sq. ft. At the last meeting several Commissioners suggested that if a permit is to be approved, certain conditions should be included as part of that permit. One restriction is to limit the amount of fertilizer used on site and to only allow organic fertilizer. Another condition suggested is to place markers along the wetlands line or establish an easement along the south side of the parcel where the wetlands are located. The Applicant stated that they would allow these conditions on the new lot. The Applicant is not proposing to do any grading on the lot with the existing house.

Commissioner Schweitzer said he would like the fertilizer restrictions to apply to both lots.

A MOTION was made by Commissioner Lindenberger to approve the Application for a Permit Lou-Anne Schmelter and Lisa Fontana- Proposed two (2) lot subdivision at 332 France Street; Assessor's #29-3- including all staff comments made in the letter from Staff dated January 5, 2015. Seconded by Commissioner Kelly. All were in favor, MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

(Commissioner Duff arrives at 6:11 p.m.)

5. ACTION TAKEN/MINUTES presented for approval for January 14, 2015

A MOTION was made by Commissioner Kelly to approve the minutes and Actions Taken for the January 14, 2015 Open Space meeting as presented. Seconded by Commissioner Lindenberger. All were in favor, MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

6. DISCUSSION

A. ADC Enterprises-Violations at 45 Evans Road

Commissioner Zak sat in for Chairman Charamut who recused himself for this application. Commissioner Riedinger took over the meeting.

This item was tabled at the last meeting to allow Mr. Chiulli to provide more information including a flagging of the wetlands on the site. Mr. Chiulli engaged Fitzgerald and Halliday to do the flagging but they are asking that, due to the weather conditions, the flagging be done between May and October.

Mr. Chiulli of 45 Evans Road said he also retained Fitzgerald and Halliday to determine the species and location of the trees still on the site. Mr. Alvarado said he is hoping that the delineation doesn't take so long that they aren't able to take advantage of the growing season.

The Commission had a discussion about how they could expedite this restoration application so it is approved before the end of the growing season. Depending on the site conditions there may be the possibility that the flagging can be done in April. Bob suggested that the Application be submitted in April so that if possible, it could be approved in May. He said he would contact Fitzgerald & Halliday to make them aware of the urgency of the wetlands flagging.

A MOTION was made by Commissioner Lindenberger to keep the cease and desist order for ADC Enterprises-Violations at 45 Evans Road in place until the April 8, 2015 meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Schweitzer. All were in favor, MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. (Commissioner Zak voted in place of Chairman Charamut, who recused himself for this application.)

B. March 11, 2015 POCD Public information meeting

Chairman Charamut resumes his seat.

Mr. Alvarado said the Public Information Meeting for the Plan of Conservation and Development is going to be held on March 11, 2015, which is the date of the Open Space and Conservation Commission's next meeting. He suggested cancelling the March meeting or changing the location. If the meeting is cancelled, Commissioner's will be able to attend this public meeting to offer input. Any Applications can be moved to the April meeting.

A MOTION was made by Vice Chairman Riedinger to move the March regularly scheduled meeting to a smaller room with an option to cancel if necessary. Seconded by Commissioner Kelly. All were in favor, MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C. Status Report-Various Projects

Due to the weather, there is very little outdoor activity. The Foundry owners are still meeting with the DOT about the realignment and improvements along Glastonbury Avenue.

D. Open Space

No discussion.

E. Legislation

No discussion.

F. Conferences

There are two conferences being held on the same day, March 21st, see Bob Alvarado for more information.

7. CORRESPONDENCE, COMMUNICATIONS

Bob received procedures for notification of Aquatic Pesticide Permit Applications. Applications can be filed on line.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

9. ADJOURN

A MOTION was made by Vice Chairman Riedinger to adjourn the meeting at 6:37. Seconded by Commissioner Lindenberger. All were in favor, MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen A. Knapp
Recording Secretary